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> African Violets -- Unusual House Plants Spring 1957 List.

All plants are state inspected and shipped in pots. Small plants are about  $2\frac{1}{2}$  and 3 inches tall. These ship best and keep on growing. Give other varieties in which you are interested, if plants are smaller than usual I include an extra plant or a larger size. Cut leaf orders are packed in plastic envelopes and sent by first class mail. Leaves rooted in Magic Mix, rolled and packed in Air Wrap. In all plant orders of \$10.00 or over (no supplies) I will include extra plants or cuttings or both.

Many other varieties are available in too small quantities to list. Ask about any others you are interested in. Any questions on varieties will be answered if stamp is enclosed. Substitutions will be made unless instructions are to the contrary.

I have new varieties from Lyons, Richters, and Brewers, also many smaller hybridizers. These will be ready in June, also a new list of Rex and Fibrous Begonias. Achimines, Impatiens and other plants. I have a tremendous supply of large cuttings, and especially welcome both dealers and collectors to my home. A discount of 10% will be allowed on \$10.00 orders at my home. Please make an appointment when coming from a distance. I live 5 miles West of Freeport (Rte. 20) to Club Esquire, turn North, one-fourth mile.

Your order automatically puts your name on the mailing list for the following year. Every order must be accompanied by a mailing fee of  $75\phi$  for insured parcel post or \$1.00 for Special Handling. State which you prefer. All leaf orders must include the  $75\phi$  mailing fee. No orders sent without the mailing fee.

African Violets

Small Plants .75¢ Larger \$1.00 and \$1.50 Leaves .25¢ Rooted leaves .40¢ Potted in Magic Mix. 50¢ unless marked outherwise.

DOUBLE PINKS

Bounditul-large flower, heavy bloomer, med. pink, med. green foliage.

Buds Pink O'Wink-fine girl foliage, clear medium pink.

Buds Pink Cupid-semi girl, heavy bloomer.

Bettys Delight-clear bright pink, med, to dark green foliage.

Buds Strike Me Pink-deep pink, bronze girl foliage.

Buds Pink Waltz-deep pink, very dark plain foliage.

Cupid-Rosette type, Med. pink blood, heavy leaf.

Double Arbutus-very deep pink, large plant, very heavy bloomer.

Double Pink Cheer-double form of Pink Cheer.

Double Pink Fringette-good pointed foliage, med. pink fringed petals.

Frilled Rosette-light to medium pink, frilled petals.

Flamingo-very dark foliage, deep pink bloom, medium size plant.

Freshman-notched pointed foliage, med. pink, heavy bloomer.

Evelyn Johnson-full double medium pink, light green girl foliage.

Glamour-dark foliage, medium pink.

Heart Throb-huge plant, large quilted foliage, med. pink, heavy bloomer.

Hoosiers Pink-heavy bloomer, dark foliage, deep pink.

Happiness-upright growth, light to medium pink, very heavy bloom.

Holliday-pointed dark plain foliage, Cerise pink bloom.

Irresistible-light notched girl foliage, light pink, small plant.

Kiss N' Tell-very dark foliage, clear medium pink.

Melior-very deep pink, heavily quilted foliage.

Mam'selle-double pink on rounded girl foliage.

Minnesota-almost black plain foliage, very deep pink. Minneapolis-deep pink bloom, very dark girl foliage.

Northern Glory-small plant, medium pink, fine girl foliage.

Pink Enchantress-larger plant than above, clear pink, bright green girl foliage.

Pink Celebrity-heart shaped notched foliage, good pink bloom.

Pink Puff-large plant, clear medium pink, large flat bloom, puff in center.

Precious-minnature plant, heavy bloomer, fast growing.

Pink Victoria-large plant, rose type, darker than med. bloom.

Pink Pettycoats-dark bronzy girl foliage, very deep pink bloom.

Pot O' Gold-small plant, light green pointed foliage, bright pink bloom.

Pink Trend-quilted bright green foliage, rose type medium bloom.

Powder Puff-bronze plain foliage, deep pink Rose Bud bloom.

Pink Tally Ho-light green girl foliage, bright pink bloom.

Picadilly-scalloped pointed girl leaf, medium pink.

Pink Victory-large plant, full double dark foliage.

Pink Rock-dark girl foliage, medium pink, small plant. Pink Ideal-clear light pink, dark foliage, large plant, heavy bloomer. Sweetheart-similiar to Heart throb, Rose Bud type bloom. Wild Rosa-small plant, heavily quilted dary foliage, deep pink Rosetype.

## T-V Series

Beaumont Beauty-large single, white blending into blue, tailored foliage. Bunnyhop-minature, round girl foliage, rose markings in leaf, rose bloom. Cut Velvet-dark glossy rippled foliage, red fringed double edged in green, very good. Dresden Dream-as above, pink with green edging. least only till June Goliath-single orchid, purplish-red eye, quilted green foliage, vigorous growth. Handsome-large single deep-purple fringed bloom, almost black foliage, each leaf large and round.

Jazz-velvety midnight-blue double, waxen blackish foliage.

Jealousy-beautiful formed double, very fringed, in rich reddish-purple. Waxen dark foliage, heavy bloomer.

Mambo-bunches of frilly double and semi-double light-blueish-lavender-tinted-white clusters, broad waxen light-green foliage, beautifully fluted.

Rose Frills-dark blakish-green foliage, red backed. Frilled single blooms, deep rose. Stage Line-dark blue blooms mostly semi double, dark waxy foliage, red-backed. Swirling Petticoats-singledeep purple blooms, crimped white picotee edging, ruffled and scalloped foliage.

Spring Finery-single white with frilled edging tinted with lavender, foliage light apple green.

Summer Cloud-frilled crested light blue blooms, rippling apple green foliage. Summer Dream-frilled light lavender blooms, single crested and double, red backed forest green foliage.

More T-V Series on June list.

Atomic Pink-large round pink flower tipped with deeper pink, good foliage.

Apple Blossom-supreme type, huge pink and white bloom.

America-supreme type, huge medium blue, heavy bloomer.

Appealing-red orchid bi-color, top and lower petals tipped on medium size supreme foliage.

Azure Beauty Improved-dark foliage, blue and white full double, sometimes brilliant blue.

Autumn Frost-frilled wine geneva blossom, girl foliage.

Angel Lace-huge white heavily frilled and edged in bright blue.

Air Waves-fluffy double white some times touch of blue, light green foliage.

Alaska Sunset-intensely shaded orchid, purple eye, bronze foliage.

Blue Summit-medium blue double with white edge, upright growth.

Bit O' Blue-large powder blue flower with white reverse, good dark foliage.

Becky Sharpe-deep pink cupped flower, bronze girl foliage.

Blue Heiress-medium blue Dupont, girl foliage.

Bernice-medium light blue double, rather dark green foliage, tendency to spoon.

Bernice Supreme-huge bloom, like Bernice.

Blushing-dark foliage, white blooms sometimes tinted pink, tremendous bloomer.

Blushing Supreme-huge bloom, like Blushing.

Blue Peak-double Geneva type, very full and exceptionally nice white edge, dark green foliage, excellent.

Blue Cusion-medium to dark blue double, full petaled, bright green glossy foliage. Blue Cushion Supreme-huge bloom, like Blue Cushion.

Elue Belle-a different blue double, two shades of blue, round rose type bloom, good dark foliage.

Black Magic-large dark blue double, prominent golden eye, very dark foliage fine variety.

Blue Pacific-pointed petals unusual fine foliage, white backed, med. blue double. Blue Duches-Supreme of Blue Girl, a terrific bloomer.

Boyce Edens-huge orchid levender with purple top petals and purple tips on lower petals, a very heavy bloomer, fine foliage. Bon Bon Pink-candy pink, large bloom, good bloomer.

Blue Pom-very large light blue double on semi supreme foliage, heavy bloomer.

Blue Nocturne-large light blue double, on wavy green foliage.

Blue Foam-light blue Geneva double, painted foliage.

Cactus Girl-Ruffled Queen bloom, deeply cut girl foliage covered with spiny hairs. Cara Mia-Huge blue and white bloom on good foliage.

Carmen-dark red Single, plain foliage.

Congo Queen-huge red orchid bloom, supreme foliage.

Chemille-fringed dark blue, single, beautiful foliage.

Cerise-brilliant rose pink, pink foliage.

Cavalier-dark dusty blue double blooms on bronzy satiny tapered foliage.

Cream Delight-girl foliage, double cream to pale pink, good bloomer, long lasting blooms.

Christina-fine Dupont, beautiful satiny pale blue.

Caliph-deep velvety red, full double blooms

Calumet Beacon-very flat plant, spoon foliage, streaked blue and white bloom.

Cydnnia-semi-double dark purple wavy flower, large grower, large dark green waxy foliage.

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Crusader-large flat plant, rose-red double bloom.
Confederate Gray-large dainty single gray blue bloom. Very nice quilted foliage.
Challenge-rose purple double, fine notched foliage.
Cordovan Queen-large deep mahogany frilled blooms, heavy foliage.
Congo King-dark red single, Supreme foliage.
Duke-bright green foliage, huge double medium blue bloom.
Dupont Pride-new dupont, light to medium blue, heavy bloom held upright, hairy,
          dark toothed painted foliage.
Double Pansy Beauty-fine dark foliage, dark edged orchid double bloom.
Delft Duchess-flower medium blue double, good white edge, Lacy Girl foliage.
Dark Victory-deep maroon double flower, good girl foliage.
Double Polar Ice-creamy white double, sometimes tinged pink, dark lightly, quilted
          red backed foliage.
Dark Zephyr Pink-very large round medium pink bloom, good dark foliage, heavy bloomer.
Drops O' Wine-fine dark foliage, fringed full double red bloom.
Double California Dark Plum-very dark glossy foliage, mahogany red double bloom.
Double Midnight-dark red double, medium green plain foliage.
Dark Cloud-very dark blue double bloom, dark pointed foliage.
Dusty Rose-dull rose bloom with a deep center, plain foliage.
Dreamy Blue Double-Grotei hybrid Orchard Nursery, double light blue.
Double Blue Ice-light blue double blooms, medium green veined foliage.
Dusky Princess-dark blue single bloom, very dark pointed foliage.
Double Blue Heiress-double form of Blue Heiress.
Dubonette Queen-dark red, girl foliage.
Edith Cavell-large ivory and lavender bi-color bloom, heavily fringed, dark bronzy,
          waxy leaves with lighter edge.
Excelsior (Tonkadale)-very large symmetrical plant, purple blue bloom, heavy bloomer.
Easter Wedding-bronzy pointed girl foliage, single pink bloom.
Florentine-huge Waved and fringed medium blue blooms, rippled foliage.
Fischers Pandora-a delicate light blue double, frilled petals.
Frilled Dupont-large cupped and frilled lavender pink bloom on Dupont foliage.
Falstaff-huge, bright red, full double round glossy supreme foliage, heavy bloomer.
Fringed Snow Prince-fine white heavily fringed single bloom, light green foliage.
Fancy Blue Eyes-dupont foliage, huge white single bloom, deep blue eye.
Fused Pink-deep pink single, cerise eye, plain foliage.
Fairy Queen-huge double white with a slight shading in center. Ruffled foliage.
Fineline-lavender semi-double, white edge, neat dark foliage, small plant.
Frilled Amethyst-heavily frilled lavender pink bloom, in heavy foliage.
Frivoletta-very simlar to Lorna Doone.
First Love-large double cactus type, lavender pink double, dark green foliage.
Fancy Pants-notched light green foliage, double white bloom, bottom petal very long.
Fantasy Double Ann-light green girl leaf, pink and blue dbl. small plant.
Fantasy Edge-light green pointed foliage, white bloom with Fantasy edge. Grenadier-red orchid double, supreme type foliage.
Giant Purple Monarch-sport out of Purple Knight, largest flowered variety we know, flowers fully developed as large as 2\frac{1}{2} inches, flexible supreme type
          foliage.
Green Pearl (Roseonna)-blue and white variegated double bloom, petals tipped with
          green, girl foliage.
Grangers Rose Red Seedling-bright rose red double, fine glossy foliage.
Grace Pope-large ruffled lilac orchid double flower on rippling dark green foliage.
Geneva Nueva-dark blue bloom, good white edge, extra fine foliage.
Georgia Peach-deep pink single, good plain foliage.
Grangers Pandora-huge medium blue cupped bloom, semi girl foliage.
Gent's Blue Cluster-large blue fluffy double on small dark green almost black,
          rather hairy round foliage. Neptune-Grotei cross.
Hi Loa Light Blue-light fringed blue, fringed medium green foliage.
Iris-beautiful semi-double light blue almost black foliage.
Iowa-very large plant, huge ruffled leaves, single medium blue bloom.
Indian Girl-medium blue bloom huge black green girl foliage.
Jubilee-rose orchid bicolored Geneva type bloom, waxy green foliage. Good.
Juliet-soft rose double, prominent golden eye, bronzy green foliage.
King Neptune-large, very dark blue bloom, quilted dark foliage.
King David-glossy medium green foliage, large waved orchid bloom, narrow white edge.
Lavender Air Waves-like Air Waves but fine soft lavender bloom.
Lorna Doone-deep wine bi color, ruffled full double, dark wavy foliage. Lavenda-different shade double between lavender and old rose, good foliage.
Lilac Ballet-intense violet shade, fringed bloom, waved foliage.
Loves Embrace-slightly frilled cupped large bloom, wavy notched bright green foliage.
Lacy Lavender Supreme-large true lavender double bloom, good supreme foliage.
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Light Waverly-waved foliage, fringed light blue.

Little Aristocrat-ruffled semi double dark blue bloom, dark holly type foliage,
almost black leaf, red back.

each stem.

Lavender Pink Debutante-Dupont type foliage, fringed Dupont type bloom 5 to 7 on

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Lavender and Lace-beautiful lacy double lacy double in two shades of lavender, fine
          foliage.
Light Lavender Rosette-flat lavender pink double bloom, light green foliage.
Light Zephyr Pink-very large white bloom, bright pink eye, top petals cupped and
          tipped with green, heavy bloomer, very good.
Mindy-large red-orchid bi-color flower with dark tipped petals. Medium nice girl
          foliage, silver underside.
Miroc-fluffy double two toned red-lavender flower, petals dark tipped, medium green
          wavy sawtoothed edge shiny foliage.
Mary Thompson-giant wavy double bloom on wavy foliage.
Meg-frilled orchid bi-color double on frilly girl foliage.
Miss New York-fluffy double lavender and white bloom, fine dark foliage, heavy
          bloomer.
Miss Virginia-fine foliage plant, ruffled velvety foliage, nice medium blue bloom.
My Beauty-variegated blue and white single, very large, plain foliage.
Miss Ruffles-waved light green foliage, waved white bloom some blue markings.
Miss Louisa-unusual violet edge, wine orchid bloom, iridescent glossy foliage.
Melody-large plant, dark glossy foliage, brilliant tutone lavender blooms.
Northern Sheen-dark bronze semi girl foliage, double dark blue bloom.
Nancy Hanks-light blue ruffled blossom on semi supreme foliage, heavy bloomer.
Nero-large flat plant, very dark blue double.
Noweta-very similar to Crusader.
Northern Prize-supreme type girl, large double blue bloom.
Pacific Beauty-huge medium blue single, heavy girl leaf.
Pink Dilly-very large dark bloom, dark foliage, heavy bloomer.
Pink Magic-very large dark pink, dark quilted foliage.
Pink Spice-bright pink, bi-colored tip on petals, bronze foliage, red back.
Pollyanna-heavily frilled wine orchid bloom, borne in upright heavy clusters on
          bronzy foliage.
Pink and Red Seedling-deep pink almost red centers, quilted foliage.
Pale Face-tutone lavender single, terrific bloomer, semi spoon foliage.
Pink Glacier-very flat single crimped edge, plain foliage.
Pastel Princess-large plant, pale lavender ruffled bloom, fine foliage.
Palette-plain foliage, red and white variegated bloom.
Pink Marble-plain foliage, pink and blue single bloom.
Purple Lace-supreme type, large dark blue fringed bloom.
Pink Caress-deep pink heavily fringed blooms on dark bronzy foliage with vivid red
          underside, wavy leaves.
Pink Neptune-medium pink single, large plant, beautifully quilted foliage.
Pink Wonder-huge pink single with dark eye, dark foliage, one of the best.
Pink Triumph-deep single pink, large slightly quilted foliage, very heavy bloomer.
Pink Dream-dark quilted foliage, deep pink single, orange cast in center.
Rajah-very dark blue double, supreme type foliage.
Rosetta-improved Double Rose, heavy bloomer.
Royal Emperor-orchid and purple double, quilted pointed foliage.
Robinhood-large dark red, deeper top petals, upright groeth, pointed foliage.
Rose Glow-glossy bronze foliage, deep rose single flower tinged orchid, outstanding.
Red Man-dark red bloom, very dark red backed red stemmed pebbled foliage.
Ruffled Heiress-deep blue ruffled bloom, heavy waved foliage.
Rose Wing-heavy waved foliage, shaded rose and white fringed bloom.
Red Dogwood-single large red blossoms with white spot on each petal, good foliage.
Revelation-deep red double, glossy dark foliage, large plant.
Royal Bouquet-rich royal blue ruffled double blooms on light green wavy foliage.
Royal Galaxy-dark blue double blooms on very dark wavy foliage, heavy bloomer.
Show Aristocrat-huge white double, blue markings, supreme foliage.
Snow Holly-ruffled light green foliage, fluffy white double bloom, shaded blue.
Student Prince-large fine dark blue bi-color, heavy bloomer.
September Song-fluted blue double, wavy deep notched, bronze foliage.
Sunbonnet Sue-large deep orchid and wine geneva, bronze girl foliage.
Show Queen-variegated foliage, flower like Ruffled Queen, supreme type.
Snowy Princess-variegated foliage, giant red bi-color flower.
Sea Sprite-white frilled double flower with lilac blue edge, quilted wavy foliage.
Santa Maria-pale blue frilled edge flower, dark wavy red backed foliage.
Snow Prince Select-fine dark foliage, heavy blooming huge white.
Sun Glow-very large fully double rose orchid, smooth foliage.
Spooned Wine Double-very large good wine red double, dark green foliage.
Silver Snow-variegated green foliage, large white bloom, heavy bloomer.
Spanish Lace-like Velvet Queen except dark blue bloom, very fringed.
Spider-long narrow wavy leaf medium blue bloom.
Splash-dark red backed foliage, pink splashed with purple, single bloom.
Show Pink-huge pink bloom, thick green foliage, red backed.
Sleigh Bells-single white sweet pea type bloom, girl foliage.
Snow Fairy-full double white with girl foliage, heavy bloomer.
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Sugar Babe-rounded petals in two tones of lavender plum with white border and girl

foliage.

Stevetta-heavy foliage, large medium blue single blooms.

Show Star-small plant, pink with blue star in center. L. + R.L. - P. June

Spindrift-large pink single, good plain foliage.

Shumensis-(Species)-minanture very small notched foliage, tiny pale blue blooms.

Sweet Adeline-glossy Holly type foliage, tutone double lavender bloom.

Tonka Delight-blue and white ruffled bloom.

Tenn. Rose-similar to Atomic Pin, lighter foliage.

Taj Mahal-one of the most unusual, bright mauve pink heavy texture with white backs, petal edges sharply rolled in making a definite white edge, almost a spoon bloom.

Thunderhead-world's largest single white on improved dark green foliage.

Twinkle Toes-cupped white ruffled blooms with deep lilac edge on dark green girl

foliage, blooms profusely, small plant, not min.

Tim-light to medium blue, double, fine spooned foliage.

Tenn. Debutante-light bloom, dark tips, good girl foliage.

Trueheart-heavy foliage, medium pink single, deep edge.

Tenn. Girl-deep dark red single, fine girl foliage.

Tonkadale Double Orchid Sunset-bright tutone double.

Uncle Don-medium blue double, spooned medium green foliage.

Unclassified Species-light green corded foliage, bright blue bloom.

Veribest-huge dark blue single bloom, glossy dark foliage.

Valor-large single purple bloom, medium green semi spooned foliage.

Velvet Empress-tutone dark red double bloom, deeply cut girl foliage, small plant.

Wintergreen-variegated green and white foliage, double medium blue and white bloom.

Wintry Nite-variegated green and yellow foliage, full double dark blue bloom.

White Gardenia-new, girl foliage, white double.

White Puff-large white ruffled double on dark green wavy foliage.

White Luster-large flowering double white, plain foliage.

White Pride-very large pure white double bloom, medium green foliage.

White Orchid-heavily fringed white blooms in profusion, dark green wavy foliage.

Wayzata-cobalt blue single, dark foliage.

White Pride Supreme-supreme type foliage, huge bloom like gardenias.

White Heather-bronzy ruffled girl foliage, large single cupped white bloom.

White Cushion-dark heavy foliage, full cushiony white double, very good.

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Black Plymouth Pots-2 inch-5¢ each,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inch-8¢ each,  $-2\frac{1}{2}$  inch-9¢ each, 3 inch-10¢ each, 4 inch-15¢ each, -6 inch-35¢ each.

2¢ off on each pot if picked up at house.

White Plastic Labels--\$1.00 per 100 if sent with order, or add .25¢ postage Milled Sphagnum--.25¢ per quart post paid.

Sponge Rok--.25¢ per quart post paid.

N. N. O. R. -- an insecticide and cleansing spray--\$1.25 with order,  $.35\phi$  postage.

Atlas Fish Emulsion--\$1.00 for 1 pt.--4 oz. .40¢ with order or .35¢ postage.

Magic Mix--2 quarts--R1.00--5 qts. or over .40¢ per quart postpaid.

Sodium Selenate--10 capsules for \$1.50 postpaid with detailed instructions for use, enough for about 175 to 200 plants.

M. Sphagnum and Sponge Rok.  $15\phi$  a quart, Magix Mix  $.25\phi$  per quart if picked up at house.

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MAGIC MIX--a prepared mix for starting gloxinia, begonia, episcia, violet or any plant cutting, a fine medium for starting seed. It contains no soil or chemical fertilizers. It can be used alone or combined with equal parts of violet soil for growing and blooming large specimen plants. If you prefer to root cuttings in water they can be transferred to this mix without shock.

Magic Mix should always be moist, not wet when used. Press mix firmly into container, plant cuttings, water thoroughly firming mix around cuttings. When dividing cuttings always water thoroughly, cutting can then be easily divided without injury to roots.

Atlas Fish Emulsion is recommended as fertilizer.

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